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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2756

Dear Supervisors:

**AMENDMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Receive and file the final draft Amendment No. 1, dated June 2002, to the Los Angeles County Nondisposal Facility Element (Enclosure A).
2. Instruct the Executive Officer to schedule a date for a public hearing on the amendment to the Nondisposal Facility Element and advertise the legal Notice of Hearing in a newspaper of general circulation ten days prior to the hearing (Enclosure B).

AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Adopt the enclosed Resolution (Enclosure C) approving Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element.
2. Instruct the Director of Public Works to transmit a copy of Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element to all cities in the County of Los Angeles, in accordance with the requirements of State regulations.
3. Instruct the Director of Public Works to submit Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element to the California Integrated Waste Management Board for approval, in accordance to the requirements of State law.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, as amended (Section 40000, et. seq., of the California Public Resources Code), requires each city and each county, for its unincorporated area, to prepare and adopt separate Nondisposal Facility Elements which become part of an overall Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan. The Los Angeles County Management Plan, which was approved by the California Integrated Waste Management Board on June 23, 1999, superseded the former County Solid Waste Management Plan.

The Nondisposal Facility Element must identify all existing, proposed new, and proposed expansion of existing nondisposal facilities which may be used or may be needed in conjunction with waste diversion activities identified in the local jurisdiction's Source Reduction and Recycling Element. As defined by State law, Section 40151 of the Public Resources Code, a nondisposal facility is any solid waste facility required to obtain a State Solid Waste Facility Permit, except a disposal facility or a transformation facility. The Nondisposal Facility Element, dated March 1994 (Enclosure D), was adopted by the Board on April 7, 1994 (Synopsis 5, Enclosure E). The Nondisposal Facility Element was subsequently approved by the Waste Board on September 21, 1994.

Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element consists of the incorporation of the proposed Santa Clarita Composting Facility, a green waste composting facility, into the Nondisposal Facility Element. On December 11, 2001, the Board approved a Conditional Use Permit for the subject facility, CUP Case No. 96-113-(5), which authorizes the construction, operation, and maintenance of the subject green waste composting facility. The facility would have a maximum daily tonnage limit of 150 tons of compostable materials (yard trimmings and clean wood) and a maximum average of 100 tons per day (six days per week average) per calendar year. The facility is anticipated to achieve a diversion rate of nearly 100 percent since it will only accept materials which can be made into usable soil amendments and mulches. The target markets for the compost and mulch products include landscapers and homeowners from the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles, and the Cities of Santa Clarita, San Fernando, and Los Angeles (Sylmar area).

By providing needed composting capacity, the proposed Santa Clarita Composting Facility will assist jurisdictions in the County of Los Angeles, including the unincorporated areas, in achieving the waste diversion mandates of the Act, as well as reducing the need for landfilling and incineration.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since it will provide composting services and products to customers from the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles and nearby cities, while assisting the County and the cities in meeting the waste diversion mandates of State law and reducing the need for landfilling and incineration.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 18766(b), requires that the Board conduct a public hearing to adopt the Nondisposal Facility Element after considering all comments of the members of the governing body and the public. Additionally, the Board is required to adopt a Resolution approving the Nondisposal Facility Element. The enclosed Notice of Hearing (Enclosure B) and the Resolution (Enclosure C) relating to this matter have been reviewed and approved as to the form by County Counsel.

Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 18765(b), requires submittal of the final draft Nondisposal Facility Element (or amendment thereto) to the local task force for review. The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force considered and approved the subject Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element at its meeting of August 16, 2001.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

As provided by State Law, Section 41735(a) of the Public Resources Code, the adoption or amendment of the Nondisposal Facility Element is not subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The incorporation of additional nondisposal facilities into the Nondisposal Facility Element, and their subsequent development and operation, will assist jurisdictions in the County of Los Angeles, including the unincorporated areas, in achieving the waste diversion mandates of the Act. Failure to comply with the Act may subject a city or county with penalties up to \$10,000 per day.

CONCLUSION

It is requested that two approved copies of this letter be returned to this Department.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Auditor Controller

ENCLOSURE A

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT**

**AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY
NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT**

**County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
Environmental Programs Division
June 2002**

Los Angeles County Nondisposal Facility Element
Department of Public Works
Santa Clarita Compost Facility
Fact Sheet

Type of Facility	The Santa Clarita Composting Facility is a proposed facility which will receive yard trimmings and clean wood from residential and commercial sources and process them to produce compost and mulch products.
Facility Capacity	<p>The facility will receive a maximum of 150 tons per day of yard trimmings and clean wood with a maximum annual average of 100 tons per day (six days per week).</p> <p>Approximately one acre of the site has been set aside for storing no more than 1,000 yards of finished material on site at any given time.</p>
Diversion Rate or Expected Diversion Rate from the Total Amount of Waste Received	<p>Nearly 100 percent of received waste -</p> <p>The facility will accept only materials which can be made into usable soil amendments and mulches.</p>
Participating Jurisdictions	Los Angeles County unincorporated areas, Cities of Santa Clarita, Los Angeles, and San Fernando
Facility Location	22925 Coltrane Avenue in the County unincorporated area of the Santa Clarita Valley, Newhall Zoned District, north of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill
Description of General Area	The subject property is an irregular-shaped site approximately 98 acres in size (the operation of the proposed composting facility will occupy 9.5 acres of this site). Located to the north is an equestrian facility and a gun club; to the south, vacant land and Sunshine Canyon Landfill; to the east, vacant land and the I-5 (Golden State) Freeway; to the west, vacant land.

ENCLOSURE B

NOTICE OF HEARING

INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR PUBLISHING
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

TO: Executive Officer
Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

FROM: Department of Public Works
Environmental Programs Division

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON AMENDING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT**

Publishing

In accordance with Title 14, Sections 18766(b)(1) and 18770(a) of the California Code of Regulations, the Executive Officer shall publish a notice of the filing of the final draft of the Los Angeles County Nondisposal Facility Element or any amendment thereto. The Notice of Public Hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the County. The Notice of Hearing should be published at least three days in advance of the scheduled public hearing date.

Should there be any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, of this office, at (626) 458-3500, Monday through Thursday 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**NOTICE OF HEARING
AMENDMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the Director of Public Works has filed with the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles a proposed amendment to the Los Angeles County Nondisposal Facility Element.

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, as amended (Assembly Bill 939), requires each jurisdiction to prepare and adopt an Nondisposal Facility Element. The Nondisposal Facility Element must identify and describe all the existing, proposed new, and proposed expansion of existing nondisposal facilities that each jurisdiction intends to utilize for the implementation of the AB 939 mandates. As defined by State law, a nondisposal facility is any solid waste facility required to obtain a State Solid Waste Facility Permit, except a landfill or transformation (e.g., waste-to-energy) facility. The proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element, dated June 2002 consists of incorporating into the Nondisposal Facility Element the proposed Santa Clarita Composting Facility, a 150 tons per day green waste composting facility located at 22925 Coltrane Avenue in the County unincorporated area of the Santa Clarita Valley.

Tuesday, _____, 2002, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 381 of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, is the time and place which has been fixed by the Board of Supervisors to consider this matter. Any person wishing to be heard on this matter may appear before the Board of Supervisors and show cause why the proposal should not be adopted.

Copies of the proposed amendment to the Nondisposal Facility Element are available for public review at the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Environmental Programs Division, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Annex Building, 3rd Floor Counter, Alhambra, CA 91803. Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For further information or should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Martins Aiyetiwa at (626) 458-3553, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Upon 72 hours notice, the County can provide program information and publications in alternate formats or make other accommodations for people with disabilities. In addition, documents are available at the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (see above address), which is accessible to individuals with disabilities. To request accommodations ONLY, or for more ADA information, please contact the ADA Coordinator at (626) 458-4081 or TDD (626) 282-7829, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
County Counsel

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS
Executive Officer-Clerk of
the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Principal Deputy

By _____

**AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PUBLICA
ACERCA DE LA ENMIENDA A THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY NONDISPOSAL
FACILITY ELEMENT¹**

Por la presente se avisa que el director de Obras Publicas ha registrado con la Junta de Supervisores del condado de Los Ángeles una propuesta enmienda al *Los Angeles County Nondisposal Facility Element*.

El Acta de Manejo Integrado de Desperdicios de California de 1989 (Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989) (Ley de la Asamblea 939) requiere que cada jurisdicción prepare y adopte un *Nondisposal Facility Element*¹ (*Elemento para instalaciones de materiales no desechables*) Este elemento debe identificar y describir instalaciones existentes, propuestas de nuevas instalaciones y propuestas de expansión de estas instalaciones que cada jurisdicción planea o intenta utilizar para la implementación de los mandatos en AB939. Como lo determina la ley estatal, una instalación de materiales no desechables es una instalación para manejo de desechos sólidos que necesita obtener un permiso del estado para operar, excepto por los rellenos sanitarios o las instalaciones de transformación (por ejemplo de desperdicio a energía) La propuesta enmienda numero uno al *Nondisposal Facility Element*, con fecha de Junio del 2002 consiste en la incorporación al *Nondisposal Facility Element* la propuesta planta de compostaje de Santa Clarita. Esta planta maneja 150 toneladas de desperdicios verdes al día y esta localizada en el 22925 Coltrane Ave en el área no incorporada del valle de Santa Clarita.

El martes, _____, 2002, a las 9:30 a.m. en el cuarto 381 del Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 W Temple St, Los Angeles, California 90012, es la hora y el tiempo designado por la Junta de Supervisores para discutir este tema. Cualquier persona que desee ser escuchada acerca de este tema puede presentarse delante a la Junta de Supervisores y probar el porque esta propuesta no debe ser adoptada.

Copias de la propuesta enmienda al *Nondisposal Facility Element* están disponibles para la revisión publica en el Departamento de Obras Publicas del Condado de Los Angeles, División de Programas del Medio Ambiente en el 900 S Fremont Ave, (en el mostrador del tercer piso en el edificio anexo), Alhambra CA 91803. Lunes a Jueves de 7 a.m. a 5:30 p.m.

Para mas información o si tiene alguna pregunta acerca de este tema, puede contactar a Martins Aiyetiwa al (626) 458-3553, de lunes a viernes de 7 a.m. a 5:30 p.m.

¹ El plan del Condado de Los Angeles que identifica las instalaciones de transferencia, reciclaje y compostaje (abono) que el condado utilizara para reducir en un 50 percent los desechos enviados a rellenos sanitarios.

Con una noticia de 72 horas, el Condado puede proveer información del programa en otros formatos o puede hacer ajustes para acomodar a las personas discapacitadas. Además, hay documentos disponibles en el Departamento de Obras Publicas del Condado de Los Angeles, que son accesibles a personas discapacitadas. Para solicitar adaptaciones o ajustes especiales para personas discapacitadas únicamente, o para mas información acerca del *Americans with Disabilities Act(ADA)* por favor comuníquese con el coordinador de ADA al (626) 458-4081 o al TDD (626)282-7829, de lunes a jueves de las 7 a.m. a las 5:30 p.m.

APROBADO COMO FORMA

CONFIRMA

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
Abogado del Condado

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS
Oficial-Notario Ejecutivo
De la Junta de Supervisores

ENCLOSURE C

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT, DATED JUNE 2002**

WHEREAS, the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, as amended, requires that each county in California adopt a Nondisposal Facility Element which will become a part of the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, a draft amendment to the Nondisposal Facility Element has been prepared in accordance with regulatory requirements; and

WHEREAS, said draft amendment to the Nondisposal Facility Element was submitted to the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, on _____, 2002, the Board of Supervisors held a duly advertised Public Hearing on Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element, dated June 2002, and the opportunity was given to all persons present to speak; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 41735 (a) of the California Public Resources Code, the adoption of the County's Facility Element is not subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has reviewed the June 2002 Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element and hereby adopts Amendment No. 1 to the Nondisposal Facility Element, dated June 2002.

The foregoing Resolution was on the ____ day of _____, 2002, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS,
Executive Officer-Clerk of
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
County Counsel

By: _____